

DANIEL DENVER.

[To accompany bill H. R. 629.]

DECEMBER 19, 1856.

Mr. FAULKNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the memorial of Daniel Denver, respectfully report:

The memorialist was a private in the marine corps, and whilst engaged in the service of his country on the frigate *Constellation*, in Hampton Roads, was struck with blindness, since which time he has been completely blind. The efficiency of the memorialist as a soldier is attested by the certificate of his officers, and the fact of his having become blind in the service of his country is proven by the certificate of the surgeon. For this loss of sight he is receiving from the government the small pittance of three dollars per month, which suggests at once the propriety of Congress granting the small increase of pension which is the object of the memorialist's prayer, more especially as his condition is one of absolute poverty. The expenditure involved in the increase would be but small, as the memorialist is aged and infirm, and cannot long survive this life.

The committee report the accompanying bill.

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